GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:40
ANSWERED ON:06.07.2004
SPECIAL PACKAGE FOR RURAL ELECTRIFICATION
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has envisaged a special package for speedy rural electrification;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) the funds allocated therefor, State-wise; and

(d) the time by which the work of rural electrification is likely to be completed?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED)

(a) to (d) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT
STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.40 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 06.07.2004 REGARDING SPECIAL PACKAGE FOR RURAL ELECTRIFICATION.

(a) : Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) : According to the National Common Minimum Programme, household electrification is to be completed in five years. For achieving this target, the rural electrification strategy has been drawn up, which envisages:

(i) Creation of Rural Electricity Distribution Backbone (REDB) of 33/11 KV substations, with at least one such substation in each block appropriately networked and linked to the State transmission system.

(ii) Creation of Village Electricity Infrastructure (VEI) by providing Distribution Transformer(s) with at least one such transformer in every village.

(iii) Rural Household Electrification of unelectrified households from village distribution transformer(s).

(iv) Decentralized distributed generation system for such villages where grid connectivity is either not feasible or not cost effective.

Based on the above strategy, details of the scheme and state-wise requirement of funds are being worked out.